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Re: U.S. Utility Patent
 Patent No. 6,561,841 B2; Issued: May 13, 2003
 For: **Connector Assembly Having Visual Indicator**
 Inventors: Norwood *et al.*
 Our Ref: 2048.0030000

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$230.00 to cover:
 \$130.00 Process fee for Correcting Inventorship in a Patent (37 C.F.R. § 1.20(b));
 \$100.00 Request for Certificate of Correction;
2. Request to Correct Inventorship in a Patent Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.324(b)(1);
3. Copy of the original Declaration, executed by the inventors;
4. Copy of Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.324(b)(1) of a Person to be Deleted as an Inventor;
5. Copy of Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.324(b)(2) of Person Presently Named Inventor Agree to Inventorship Change;
6. Copy of Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.324(b)(1) of a Person to be Added as an Inventor executed by Dale C. Reed;
7. Copy of Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.324(b)(1) of a Person to be Added as an Inventor executed by Wayne A. Zahlit;
8. Consent of the Assignee Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.324(b)(3);

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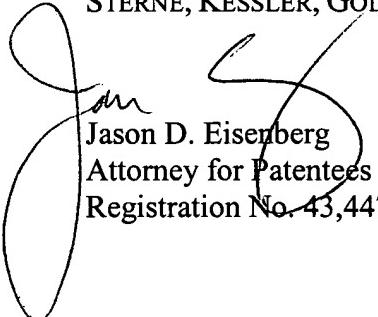
9. Request for Certificate of Correction Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.323 For Applicant's Mistake;
10. Certificate of Correction (PTO/SB/44); and
11. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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Patent No.: 6,561,841

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Confirmation No.: 1140

Art Unit: 2833

Examiner: B. Hammond

Atty. Docket: 2048.0030000

Request to Correct Inventorship in a Patent Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.324(b)(1)

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Applicant(s) requests that the United States Patent and Trademark Office correct inventorship in the above-captioned nonprovisional patent application for which an oath or declaration has already been filed. Specifically Applicant(s) request(s) that the Office change the inventorship in this application from **Joe D. Norwood and James O. Handley to Joe D. Norwood, Dale C. Reed and Wayne A. Zahlit.**

This request is accompanied by:

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- (1) A statement from each person to be added as an inventor, and/or each person to be deleted as an inventor, stating that the error in inventorship was made without deceptive intent on his or her part;
- (2) A statement from the current named inventors who have not submitted a statement under paragraph (b)(1) of this section either agreeing to change of inventorship or stating that they have no disagreement in regard to the requested change.

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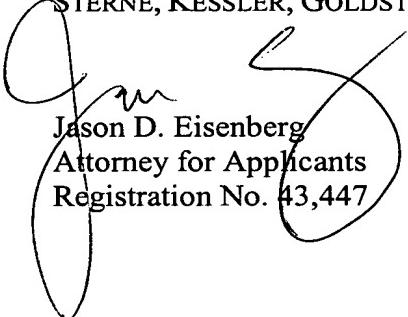
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- (3) An oath or declaration by the actual inventor or inventors as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 or as permitted by 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47;
- (4) The written consent of the assignee of the originally named inventors; and
- (5) The processing fee as set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i), in the amount of \$ 130.00.

Applicant(s) hereby authorize the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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Declaration for Patent Application

Docket Number: 2048.0030000

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **Connector Assembly Having Visual Indicator**, the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

- was filed on August 27, 2001:
as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number
09/938,857; and
was amended on April 3, 2002 and December 9, 2002 (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or § 365(e) of any PCT international application, which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below, and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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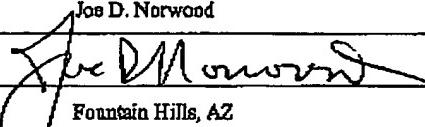
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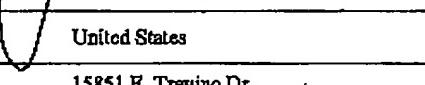
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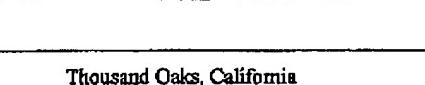
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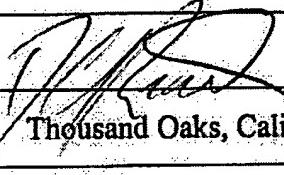
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Atty. Docket: 2048.0030000

For: Connector Assembly Having Visual
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**Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.324(b)(1) of a
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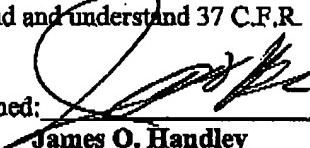
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Signed: 
James O. Handley

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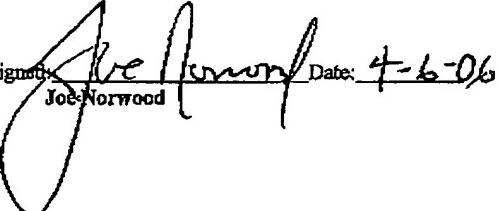
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**Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.324(b)(2) of Presently Named Inventor
Agreeing to Inventorship Change**

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I am an inventor/co-inventor of the invention of one or more claims in the above-captioned patent for which an oath or declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 has been filed erroneously. I agree to the inventorship change from Joe D. Norwood and James O. Handley to Joe D. Norwood, Dale C. Reed, and Wayne A. Zahlit. The inventorship error occurred without deceptive intent on my part. I have read and understand 37 C.F.R. § 10.18(b).

Signature: 
Joe Norwood

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Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.324(b)(1) of a
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Signed: Wayne A. Zahlt Date: 4/10/06
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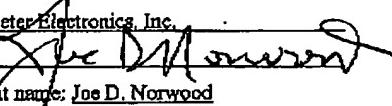
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Consent of the Assignee Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.324(b)(3)

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Sir:

Trompeter Electronics, Inc., assignee of the entire right, title and interest of the originally named inventors of the above-captioned patent, consents to the change in inventorship from Joe D. Norwood and James O. Handley to Joe D. Norwood, Dale C. Reed and Wayne A. Zahlit. I have read and understand 37 C.F.R. § 10.18(b).

For: Trompeter Electronics, Inc.
Signature: 
Type or Print name: Joe D. Norwood
Title: President
Date: 4-6-06

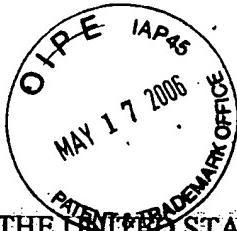
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Signed: 

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It is hereby requested that a Certificate of Correction under 37 C.F.R. § 1.323 be issued for the above-captioned United States Patent. This Certificate of Correction is being requested due to mistakes which appear in the printed patent. The mistakes made by Applicants are of a clerical or typographical nature, or of a minor character. Patentees submit that correction of these errors does not introduce new matter.

Specifically, the printed patent contains the following errors for which a Certificate of Correction is respectfully requested:

In section (75) on the cover page, "Joe D. Norwood, Thousand Oaks, CA (US);
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James O. Handley, Thousand Oaks, CA (US)" should be replaced with --~~Joe D. Norwood, Thousand Oaks, CA (US)~~--
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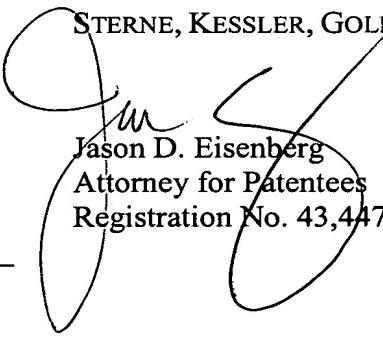
The above-noted corrections do not involve such changes in the patent as would constitute new matter or would require reexamination.

A completed Form PTO/SB/44 accompanies this request, with the above-noted corrections printed thereon. Accordingly, a Certificate of Correction is believed proper and issuance thereof is respectfully requested.

This request is accompanied by payment of the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(a). Fee payment is provided in the attached Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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PATENT NO: 6,561,841 B2

DATED: May 13, 2003

INVENTOR(S): Norwood *et al.*

It is certified that error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below.

In section (75) on the cover page, "Joe D. Norwood, Thousand Oaks, CA (US); James O. Handley, Thousand Oaks, CA (US)" should be replaced with --Joe D. Norwood, Fountain Hills, AZ (US); Dale C. Reed, Thousand Oaks, CA (US); Wayne A. Zahlit, Newbury Park, CA (US)--.

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This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.322, 1.323 and 1.324. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 1.0 hour to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Attention Certificate of Corrections Branch, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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